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**REGULAR AGENDA
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY
SEPTEMBER 9, 2020**

AGENDA ITEMS:

Rescind the Professional Services Agreement previously approved on May 6, 2020 (Contingent Fee Special Counsel for diabetes medication litigation) with the Law Office of Richard Schechter, P.C., The Snapka Law Firm, and the Cicala Law Firm, PLLC and their respective teams to represent Nueces County in legal matters that involve responsible parties who caused and contributed to the rising of prices for diabetes medications in Nueces County and related matters.

Rescind the April 22, 2020 Order authorizing the County Judge to execute the Professional Services Agreement (Contingent Fee Special Counsel for diabetes medication litigation) with the Law Office of Richard Schechter, P.C., The Snapka Law Firm, and the Cicala Law Firm, PLLC and their respective teams to represent Nueces County in legal matters that involve responsible parties who caused and contributed to the rising of prices for diabetes medications in Nueces County and related matters.

Discuss and consider approval of an Order authorizing the County Judge to execute the Professional Services Agreement (Contingent Fee Special Counsel for diabetes medication litigation) with the Law Office of Richard Schechter, P.C., The Snapka Law Firm, and the Cicala Law Firm, PLLC and their respective teams to represent Nueces County in legal matters that involve responsible parties who caused and contributed to the rising of prices for diabetes medications in Nueces County and related matters. The required notice under section 2254.1036 of the Texas Government Code is filed with the County Clerk's Office and is also attached to the Order.

Re-authorize the County Attorney to request approval of the Professional Services Agreement from the Texas Attorney General and related matters.

DISCUSSION: This was previously approved at the April 22, 2020 and May 6, 2020 meetings; however, notice was not posted. A notice must be filed pursuant to section 2254.1036 of the Texas Government Code prior to being sent to the Texas Attorney General's Office for approval. That

notice has now been filed with the County Clerk's Office and is also attached to the Order authorizing the County Judge to execute the Professional Services Agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT: None at this time.

SUMMARY: The County Attorney recommends approval of the Professional Services Agreement negotiated by counsel and allowing it to be forwarded to the Texas Attorney General for approval.